

No 'Paper Clip' From Klein— Dodd Campaigns Got \$1,000

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HARTFORD, Conn.—Julius Klein, the Chicago public relations man who Sen. Thomas J. Dodd, D-Conn., says "never gave me a paper clip," contributed a total of \$1,000 to Dodd's campaign funds in 1958 and 1964, according to official reports filed here.

Klein operates a public relations firm and is registered with the Justice Department as a foreign agent representing a group of West German businessmen.

A campaign finance statement filed with the Connecticut secretary of state following Dodd's election in 1958 showed that Klein had contributed \$750. A similar statement filed after the 1964 election listed a \$250 donation from Klein.

Klein yesterday acknowledged the contributions and said he may have made other donations to Dodd through the purchase of tickets to testimonial dinners and similar events, but could not recall the dates and amounts involved.

Distinction Noted

Klein said there was an important distinction between making contributions to a campaign fund and giving the senator money in a personal transaction.

"I gave it to the campaign committee. I never handed it to him (Dodd) personally," Klein said. "We've been very close personal friends for many years and I assume the senator or someone in his office put me on the mailing list to receive routine (fund-raising) literature."

Klein said Dodd "would have been too embarrassed to ask" for a personal donation, even if

he needed money. He said Dodd's "paper clip" remark referred only to such donations.

Dodd's relationship with Klein presumably is among the matters being probed by the Senate Ethics Committee. Dodd asked for the investigation after a series of columns by Drew Pearson and Jack Anderson accused Dodd of diverting campaign funds for his personal use.

The columnists also accused Dodd of being "at the beck and call" of Klein.

Intervention Claimed

In a Jan. 24 column, Pearson and Anderson said:

"Dodd has delivered laudatory Senate speeches about West Germany, signed letters that Klein drafted for him and entertained German visitors on Klein's expense account."

"When the Senate Foreign Relations Committee investigated Klein's operations as a foreign agent (in 1963), Dodd used his membership on the committee to soften the impact. He even made a special trip to Germany in 1964 to help Klein hang on to his clients."

Dodd has denied most of the allegations, but has acknowledged that he wrote a West German cabinet officer on Klein's behalf "because he (Klein) is an old friend. As far as I know, he hasn't done anything wrong and I don't mind helping him out."

Klein told the Foreign Relations Committee in 1963 that he was paid \$125,000 to \$150,000 annually to represent the "Society for German-American Cooperation" in this country. He is still registered as a foreign agent, acting on behalf of that group of West German political, business and civic leaders.

The 1958 and 1964 Dodd financial reports were filed with state officials after the elections, but are no longer available for inspection because Connecticut law states that they need not be open for public scrutiny after 18 months.

Contributions Listed

However, copies of both reports were made available to The Star yesterday. They show that:

In 1958, Dodd reported campaign expenses of \$136,492 and contributions of \$110,949, leaving him with a \$25,543 deficit.

Labor unions contributed \$30,000, the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee gave Dodd \$18,500 and another \$18,144 was raised at a testimonial dinner.

Major individual contributors that year included William Benton, U. S. senator from Connecticut from 1949 to 1953, \$2,500; Chester Bowles, former Connecticut governor and now ambassador to India, \$500, and Texas oil man John W. Mecom, \$1,000.

In 1964, Dodd reported campaign expenses of \$194,003 and contributions of \$187,341, leaving him with a deficit of \$6,662.

Dinner Raised \$16,000

A labor-management testimonial dinner raised \$16,000, the New Haven Town Democratic Committee gave \$10,000, the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee donated \$7,450, and the AFL-CIO Committee on Political Education contributed \$5,000.

Large individual donors included Patrick Frawley, president of Eversharp, Inc., and his wife, \$10,000; Charles H. Kaman, head of Kaman Air-

craft, \$4,000; singer Morton Downey, \$1,000, and former world heavyweight boxing champion Gene Tunney, \$1,500.

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